

CITY OF DOVER

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Agenda Item#**12B-1**:

Resolution Number: **R – 2007.09.26 -138**  
Resolution Re: Naming of the “Joe B. Parks” Central Avenue/Cocheco River Public Garden

WHEREAS: Dover resident Joe Parks has donated his time and expertise to many local projects; and

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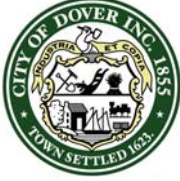
WHEREAS: Dover Main Street would like to name the Cocheco Riverwalk in honor of Joe Parks for his time and dedication to the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND DOVER CITY COUNCIL THAT:

The Central Avenue/Cocheco Riverwalk Public Garden be named in honor of Joe Parks.

### AUTHORIZATION

|                            |                                      |               |   |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|---|
| Approved as to Funding:    | Daniel Lynch<br>Finance Director     | Sponsored by: | Mayor Scott Myers<br>Deputy Mayor Jason Hindle<br>Councilor Robert Keays<br>Councilor Douglas DeDe<br>Councilor David Scott<br>Councilor Catherine Cheney<br>Councilor Harvey Turner<br>Councilor Dennis Ciotti |
| Approved as to Legal Form: | Allan B. Krans, Sr.<br>City Attorney |               |   |
| Recorded by:               | Valerie French<br>Interim City Clerk |               |   |



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### DOCUMENT ACTIONS:

**Regular Meeting held September 26, 2007.**  
**Hindle moved to adopt, seconded by Ciotti.**  
**Hindle motioned for friendly amendment to add all Councilor Names as sponsors, all agreed.**

| <b>VOTING RECORD</b>                       |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Date of Vote: September 26, 2007           | YEA      | NAY      |
| Mayor Scott Myers                          | X        |          |
| Deputy Mayor Jason Thomas Hindle, At Large | X        |          |
| Councilor Robert Keays, Ward 1             | X        |          |
| Councilor Douglas DeDe, Ward 2             | X        |          |
| Councilor David Scott, Ward 3              | X        |          |
| Councilor Dean Trefethen, Ward 4           | X        |          |
| Councilor Catherine Cheney, Ward 5         | X        |          |
| Councilor Harvey Turner, Ward 6            | X        |          |
| Councilor Dennis Ciotti, At Large          | X        |          |
| Total Votes:                               | <b>9</b> | <b>0</b> |
| <b>RESOLUTION PASSES.</b>                  |          |          |

### RESOLUTION BACKGROUND MATERIAL:

The Riverwalk Project in downtown Dover follows the Cochecho River from the Central Avenue bridge to Chestnut Street bridge and will eventually join the Rails-to-Trails project currently underway. The mission is to revitalize this overgrown, neglected area by removing overgrown shrubbery and invasive species and replacing with specific low maintenance plantings, including rhododendrons, groundcovers, as well as others.

Local sculptor, horticulturalist, and philanthropist Joe Parks has given unlimited access to his hybrid rhododendrons and donated one of his bronze sculptures in an effort to transform this forgotten downtown area into a unique specimen garden that will provide a stunning display of scents and color year after year, while helping preserve and protect the natural and cultural heritage of the community.